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SUBJ: GUIDANCE ON DISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS OF NEW
SECURITY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION

REF: STATE 231123

1. SUMMARY. NEITHER IN POLICY NOR IN PRACTICE
DOES URUGUAY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANYONE ON THE
BASIS OF RACE, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR SEX.
THUS, THIS MAY BE CONSIDERED NEGATIVE RESPONSE TO
REFTEL. HOWEVER, REFTEL RAISES QUESTION AS TO
WHETHER URUGUAY IS A COUNTRY WITH WHICH U.S. HAS
SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WE HAVE HEARD THAT
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATION LEGISLATION FOR
FY77 AS AGREED TO BY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CONTAINS PROVISION
ELIMINATING ASSISTANCE TO URUGUAY. HOWEVER, WE HAVE ITEMS IN
PIPELINE, UNSPENT FUNDS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS AND A NEGOTIATED
FMS CREDIT (FY76 MONIES) AWAITING SIGNATURE. ARE WE OR ARE WE
NOT, THEN, CONSIDERED A COUNTRY WITH WHICH U.S. HAS SECURITY
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM? END SUMMARY

2. REFTEL INSTRUCTS MISSIONS IN WHICH U.S. HAS
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SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS

OF SECTION 302 OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND
ARMS CONTROL ACT OF 1976 AND TO REPORT REACTIONS THERETO.

3. THIS MAY BE CONSIDERED A NEGATIVE REPORT IN THAT
GOU DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANYONE ON THE BASIS
OF RACE, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR SEX IN EITHER
POLICY OR PRACTICE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
KNOWING WHETHER URUGUAY IS CONSIDERED AS A COUNTRY
IN WHICH U.S. HAS SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. WE
HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT SOME VERSION OF THE KOCH
AMENDMENT (WE HAVE NOT BEEN SENT THE TEXT), CUTTING
OFF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO URUGUAY IN FY77, WAS
APPROVED BY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. THUS, WE ASSUME IT
WILL BECOME LAW. HOWEVER, WE STILL HAVE: 1) ITEMS
COMING IN PIPELINE FROM PREVIOUS YEARS; 2) UNCOMMITTED
FUNDS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS; AND 3) AN FMS CREDIT FOR
3.5 MILLION IN FY76 FUNDS ALREADY NEGOTIATED AND
AWAITING SIGNATURE. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES ARE
WE CONSIDERED AS BEING AMONG THOSE COUNTRIES IN
WHICH U.S. HAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS OR NOT?

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